RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Thursday, August 2, 2018/Shravana 11, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries: Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Affairs; Human Resource Development; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions — 15

Making the country free from poverty by 2022

†*166. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the NITI Aayog is working on an action plan of New India, 2022 the main objective of which is to make the country free from poverty by 2022;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the steps taken and the achievements made in this regard?

Requests for exemption to women from tax on gifts

*167. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received requests from women for exempting them from taxes on gifts from their near and close relatives;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken up the matter with the Ministry of Finance in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response received thereon?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Titles under Forest Rights Act to people in Gujarat

- †*168. SHRI RATHWA NARANBHAI JEMLABHAI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of people who have been given titles under Forest Rights Act, 2006 in Gujarat;
- (b) the number of people who have not been given titles despite being eligible for the same so far; and
- (c) the efforts made by Government to provide titles to all the eligible people in Gujarat?

Fall in number of candidates clearing 2018 JEE (Advanced)

- *169. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a drastic fall in the number of candidates who cleared the 2018 JEE (Advanced);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that IITs have taken a decision not to lower the cut off for admission; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Revival plan for loss making CPSEs

- *170. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has formulated any revival/restructuring plan for loss making Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) and if so, what action has been taken by Government in this regard; and
- (b) the number of sick PSUs revived, till date?

Schemes for welfare of Scheduled Castes

- *171. SHRI VINAY DINU TENDULKAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has issued any guidelines for proper implementation of its various schemes for the welfare of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the details of monitoring mechanism and measures taken to ensure proper/effective implementation of the schemes by various State Governments;
- (c) whether a large number of people belonging to SC category are living below poverty line and do not possess any assets:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and

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(e) the steps taken by Government for developing a balanced and egalitarian society in the country?

Third phase of Delhi Metro

- †*172. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details and number of projects in the third phase of Delhi Metro on which work has started;
- (b) when work had started and what was the time schedule fixed for its completion;
- (c) the reasons for the delay in completion of the work of the third phase of Delhi Metro;
- (d) whether there has been any cost overrun in the projects; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Initiatives for adoption of alternate mobility technologies

- *173. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has offered any incentives to bridge the viability gap for electric vehicles for the purpose of containing urban pollution and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the targets of more environment friendly alternatives notably electric cars are likely to be met by 2030 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of other initiatives taken for adoption of alternate mobility technologies in the country?

Enrolment of students with disability in Maharashtra

- *174. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of students with disabilities presently enrolled and studying in Government and Government aided schools in Maharashtra:
- (b) whether these schools have requisite infrastructure and resources to support the disabled students;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) what remedial measures Government has taken or proposes to take to improve the situation?

Free text books under SSA

- *175. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of students who have been provided text books free of cost under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) during the last three years;

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- (b) whether any criteria have been fixed for distribution of text books and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the text books provided by private publishers fulfil the fixed criteria; and
- (d) if so, whether Government has conducted any survey in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Basti Sudharo Scheme

- *176. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Basti Sudharo Scheme of the Ministry has been able to yield tangible results;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Ministry in neutralizing the structural inequalities that exist in the urban sector, the home of most slums; and
- (d) what are the provisions under this scheme providing for education of the slum dwellers?

Administrative Reforms Commission

- †*177. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has accepted the suggestions contained in the report of Administrative Reforms Commission headed by Shri Veerappa Moily;

- (b) if so, the status thereof in terms of implementation; and
 - (c) the details thereof?

World Trade Centre in Delhi

- *178. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has decided to develop the World Trade Centre in Delhi, as an instrument for international trade expansion;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it would have all the modern features and state of the art technologies;
- (d) the total cost of the project and the sources of its funding; and
- (e) by when the project would be completed?

Construction of metro rail in Rajasthan

- *179. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has approved construction of metro rail network in Rajasthan;

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- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has sanctioned any financial assistance to the State Government for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Children in unsecured school buildings

- *180. MAHANT SHAMBHU-PRASADJI TUNDIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has made any strict rule to ensure that the children are not kept in unsecured school buildings or any other unsafe environment; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

New Delhi; *The 27th July*, 2018 *Shravana* 5, 1940 (*Saka*) DESH DEEPAK VERMA, Secretary-General.

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